# **User Guide**

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# **Centralized Cotton Redemption**

**Buyer Instructions** 

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### **Centralized Cotton Redemption - Buyer Access Instructions**

#### A. Overview

The purpose of these instructions is to assist the Cotton Merchants (Buyers) with the COPS Online Centralized Cotton Redemption (CCR). CCR allows a Buyer to select and processes upland cotton from more than one Price Support loan, FSA County Office, and Loan Servicing Agency (LSA) with a single wire transfer.

There are three stages in the CCR process, plus a pre-CCR Buyer Setup requirement. The Buyer Setup prepares for CCR by setting up security and authorities, and includes testing the FTP process. The three stages of the CCR process are: 1. EAD (Electronic Agent Designation) Holdership; 2. Creating the CCR Invoice; and 3. Payment and release of receipts.

### **Pre-CCR Buyer Setup**

Before the buyer can process cotton redemptions, the following must occur:

- Must have a valid COPS ID with access authority.
- Logon to COPS \* and access the CCR Buyer Setup or Related Links screens \*\* for the following:
  - Overview of CCR Buyer Setup, testing and using CCR
  - Instructions for the following:
    - CCR setup, testing and using CCR
    - Completing the FSA-13A form
    - COPS Access
    - Buyer sending/getting FTP files for CCR
    - Buyer testing FTP process
    - COPS CCR Redemption process
    - Completing CCC-734 form
  - The file layouts and test file:
    - Buyer Setup Information form
    - FSA-13A form
    - CCC-734
    - File Layouts for Buyer Upload and Acknowledgement files
    - Test Buyer Upload text file.
  - Sent e-mail requesting the following forms:
    - Buyer Setup Information form
    - FSA-13A form
    - CCC-734
  - Access and accept the Merchants Acknowledgement
  - Link to WEB ACH for setup
- Complete, sign and return the FSA-13A form to CCC
- Complete the FTP testing

\* If access to COPS is not available, a Buyer setup Packet including the instructions, layouts, test file and forms may be requested from PSD/Shanita Hines, voice: 202-720-9888, e-mail: <a href="mailto:shanita.hines@wdc.usda.gov">shanita.hines@wdc.usda.gov</a> or PSCAO/Shannon Fulghem, voice 816-926-1533, e-mail: <a href="mailto:shannon.fulghem@kcc.usda.gov">shannon.fulghem@kcc.usda.gov</a>.

#### **CCR Processing - EAD Holdership**

- Before transmitting a Buyer FTP file listing bales for redemption, the following must be coordinated:
  - Buyer and Producer coordinate for completion of 605 giving Electronic Agent Designation (EAD) to the buyer and forward copy of 605 to County Office or Loan Servicing Agency (LSA).
  - County Office marks the bales on the loan as EAD eligible.
  - Provider is notified by COPS of the EAD eligibility of receipts.
  - Buyer coordinates with Provider to have EAD Holder Ids for bales transmitted to COPS.

### **CCR Processing - CCR Invoice**

- Buyer system signs on to NITC and transmits FTP Buyer upload file listing bales for redemption.
- COPS processes the Buyer FTP file and creates FTP Acknowledgement file and CCR Buyer Invoice. Emails are sent to the buyer, County Office(s) and LSAs.
- Buyers may test the EAD eligibility (see above) by populating a 'test flag' on the FTP Buyer upload file, then, a CCR Buyer Invoice is not created.
- Buyer system gets and processes FTP Acknowledgement file looking for bales with error codes that were not included on the CCR Buyer Invoice.
- Buyer signs on COPS and reviews CCR Buyer Collection Letter for the wire information and the CCR Invoice.

#### **CCR Processing - Payment and Release Receipts**

- Wire transfer of Buyer payment sent to USDA
- Wire payment received and entered into COPS
- COPS processes payment and releases receipts for Invoice
- After payment, the Buyer signs on COPS and by selecting the Invoice Number, creates an Invoice Download text file to save on the Buyer's system and process for the CCC-500 information.
- If there are below grade county bales in the redemption resulting in a negative repayment value for the bale, those negative repayment value bales will be automatically released (if mixed on the invoice with other positive value bales) or require the buyer to accept and trigger the release (if the invoice contains only negative repayment value bales). The County Office(s) will be notified to manually process the redemption to create a check for the negative repayment amount and create the CCC-500.

#### **B.** General Information

File Name for the Buyer Upload file:

'MFO900.MKTPPDT.CCR.BUYnnnn.IZCCRTXN(+1)' (where nnnn =Buyer's number)

File Name for the Buyer Acknowledgement file:

'MFO900.MKTPPDT.CCR.BUYnnnn.OZCCRACK(0)' (where nnnn =Buyer's number)

Acknowledgement Error Flags for the Buyer Acknowledgement Header record.

Acknowledgement						
Error Flag	Description of Acknowledgement Error Flag					
00	Successful procession of Header record - No Errors					
01	Receipt count on Header record does not match number of receipt detail					
	records					
88	Payoff Date is out of range					
98	Exceeded maximum record count (60,000)					
99	Buyer Code not valid					

Acknowledgement Error Flags for the Buyer Acknowledgement Detail records.

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Error Flag	Description of Acknowledgement Error Flag				
00	Successful procession of Receipt Detail record - No Errors				
01	Multiple bales found matching five key fields				
02	No Receipt found matching five key fields				
03	CCC not current holder of receipt				
04	Receipt not on available (Not in Advance status)				
05	Receipt not eligible (currently in CCR process)				
06	Transaction errors on receipt				
07	Receipt not for upland cotton				
08	Receipt not under County Office loan				
09	EAD Indicator not 'Y' (County Office needs to update loan)				
10	Receipt has classing errors				
11	EAD holder ID not valid EAD holder for receipt				
12	Payoff date after receipt's loan maturity date				
13	Bale has an invalid transaction type				
14	No bale found matching all five key fields				
15	EAD holder ID invalid (does not match or not sent by provider)				
16	County Loan Download date/time not found (County Office needs to download)				
17	Bale transfer in process				
18	Mixed transfer terminations with standard CCR				
19	LSA is NOT approved to use the CCR Process				
20	Reserved				
21	LSA bale requires manual redemption by coop				

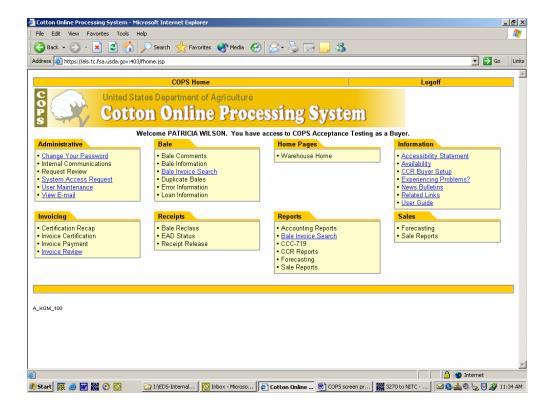
This User Guide is to assist the Buyer in accessing COPS to review the CCR Buyer Collection Letter, Itemized Activity and CCR Buyer Invoice. It also shows the Invoice payment. Information regarding CCR Buyer Setup, testing and FTP file transmissions are

found in the CCR Buyer Setup User Guide and instruction options on the COPS CCR Buyer Setup screen.

### C. Screens and Instructions

### 1. COPS Home Page (A\_HOM\_100)

For downloading or viewing CCR Invoices click the "Invoice Review" option.

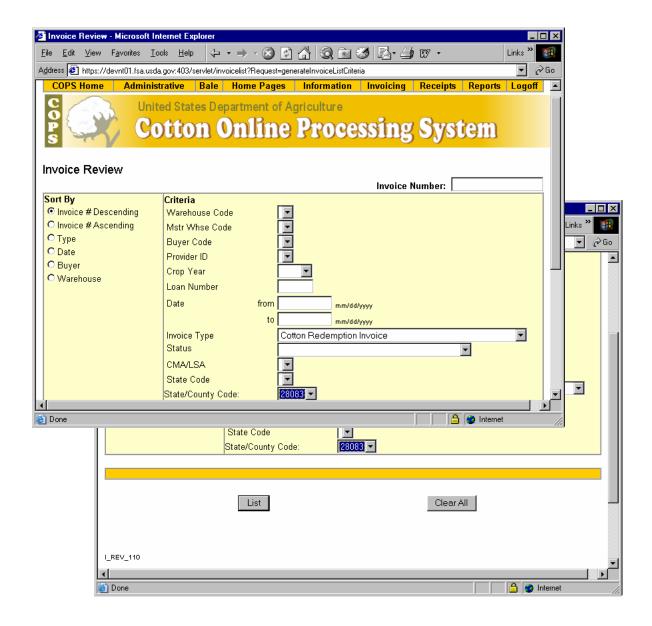


### 2. Invoice Review (I\_REV\_100)

The **Invoice Review** screen is to aid in either the selection of a specific invoice by invoice number, or to list a group of invoices that meet the selection criteria. The list of a group of invoices may be displayed in various sort orders.

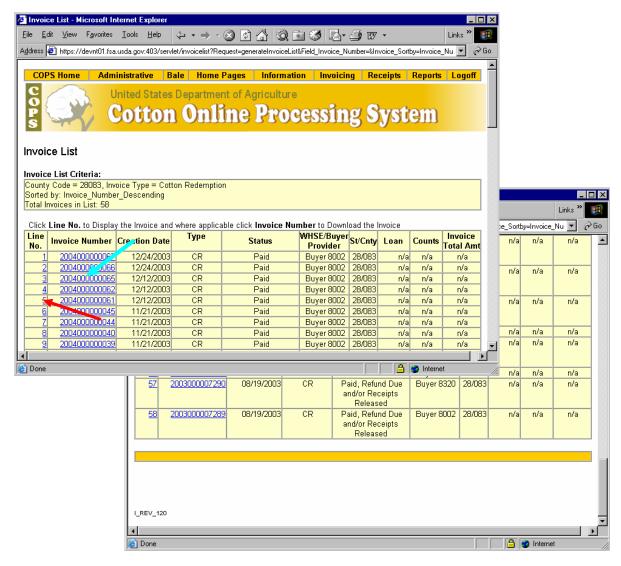
For a listing of CCR invoice, select Invoice Type of 'Cotton Redemption Invoice'.

For single county users, the state/county code field will contain the user's state/county code. For multi state or multi county users, select the state/county code from the dropdown box.



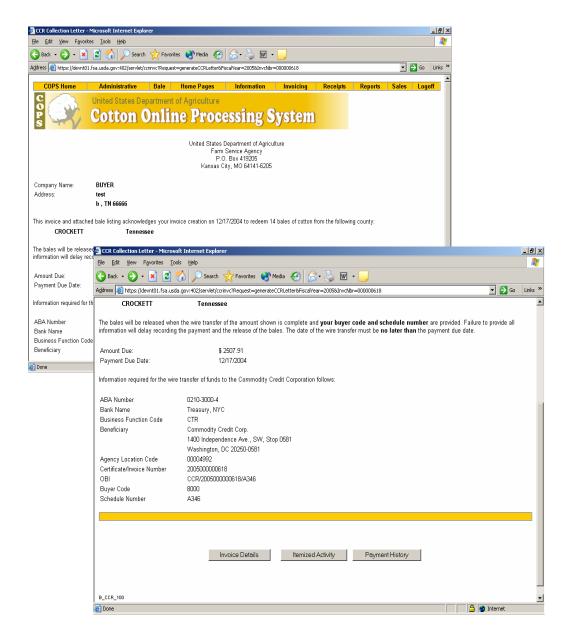
#### 3. Invoice List (I REV 120)

The **Invoice List** screen will display those invoices available for downloading or viewing. To select a CCR invoice to view, click the line number. To select a CCR invoice to download as text file, click the underlined invoice number.



#### 4. CCR Buyer Invoice Collection Letter (B CCR 100)

The CCR Invoice Collection Letter displays the information about the Centralized Cotton Redemption (CCR) invoice for the buyer. The letter contains the buyer's name and address. It also contains an acknowledgement with the date of invoice creation, the number of bales along with their County(s) and LSA(s), the amount due for the invoice, data required for the wire transfer of funds to pay the invoice, the buyer's code, a schedule number and the invoice number. This screen is displayed for only Buyer and Core Users. This screen has option button to view the CCR buyer invoice details, itemized activity and the invoice payment history.



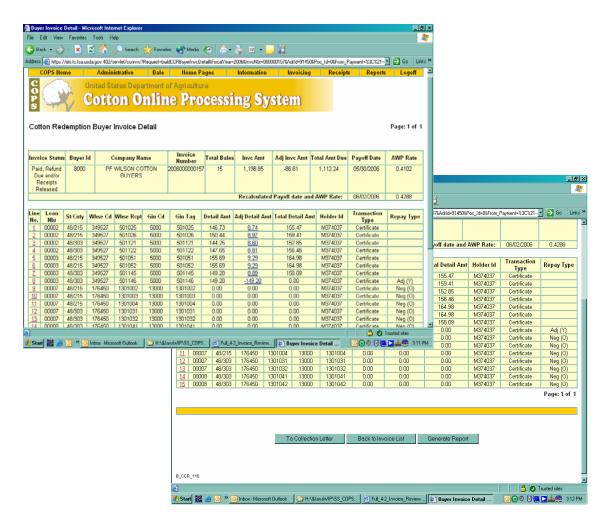
#### 5. CCR Buyer Invoice Detail (B CCR 110)

The Cotton Redemption Buyer Invoice Detail displays the detail information about the Centralized Cotton Redemption (CCR) Invoice, listing the bales associated with the invoice.

The Header contains information regarding the invoice's status, calculated AWP rate, number of bales on the invoice, the original amount due, any adjustment amounts and the final amount due are displayed.

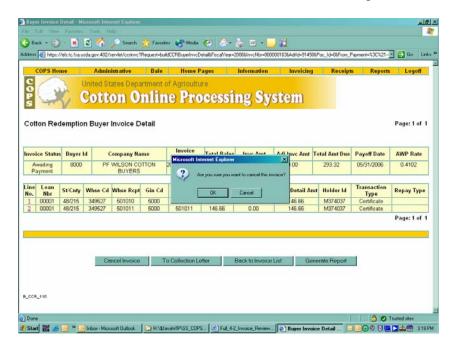
The Detail lists all bales in the invoice with a line number, loan number, warehouse code, warehouse receipt number, gin code, gin tag, the original amount, adjusted amount, total amount, buyer's holder Id and redemption transaction type of 'cash' or 'certificate'.

Adjustments would be generated if the amount paid on the invoice is less than the amount due (insufficient funds) or the invoice is paid after the payoff date and requires recalculation for the new payoff date (date actually paid/wire transfer received).



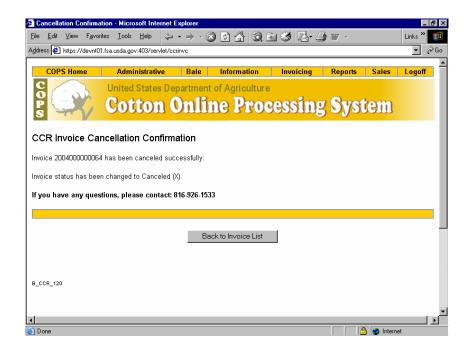
### 6. CCR Buyer Invoice Detail (B\_CCR\_110) Cancel Pop-up screen

The Buyer may cancel a CCR invoice prior to payment being received. With the cancel of the invoice, the bales are returned to original status.



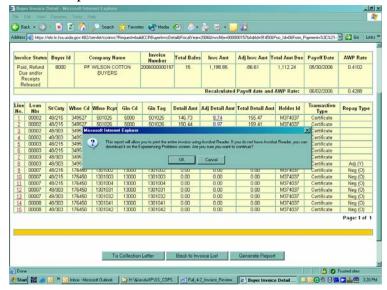
### 7. CCR Invoice Cancellation Confirmation (B\_CCR\_120)

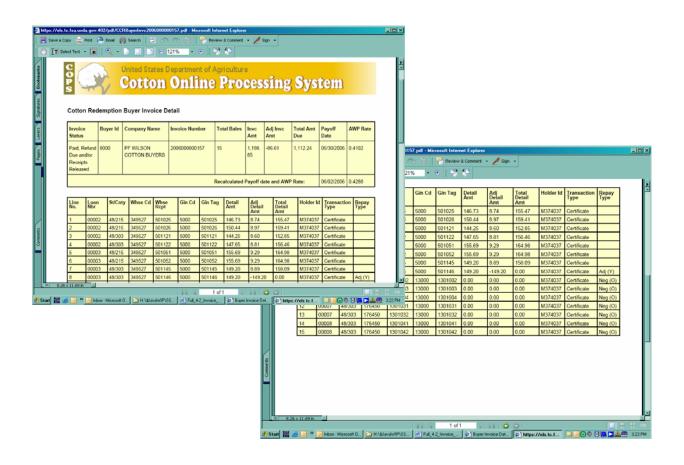
The CCR Invoice Cancellation Confirmation screen verifies that the invoice is cancelled. An email is created and sent to FOD with a CC email to the buyer. Email subject will include invoice number, schedule number and cancel date information.



### 8. CCR Buyer Invoice Detail (B\_CCR\_110) Generate report Pop-up screen

A pop-up screen appears when the Generate Report button is clicked to verify that a PDF report of the invoice is wanted.

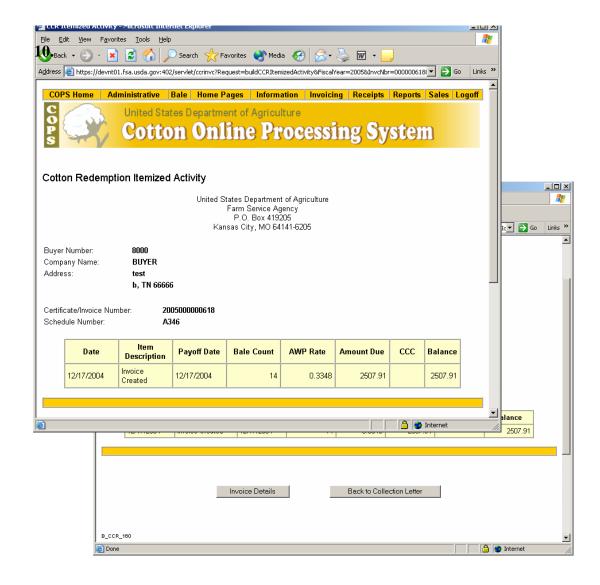




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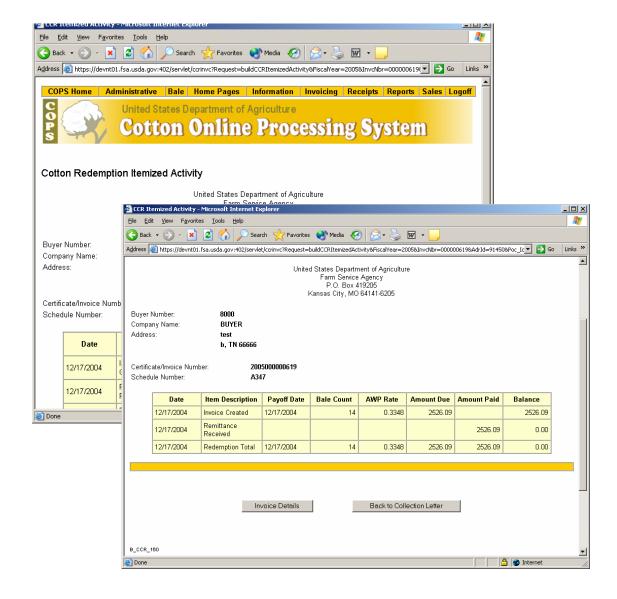
### 9. CCR Itemized Activity (B\_CCR\_160) (after invoice creation)

After the creation of the CCR Invoice, the "Cotton Redemption Itemized Activity" screen displays information about the invoice. This first line of the itemized activity displays the creation date, payoff date, description of the activity, number of bales on the invoice and amount due on the invoice, followed by a column of the balance.



### CCR Itemized Activity (B\_CCR\_160) (after invoice payment)

After payment of the CCR Invoice, the "Cotton Redemption Itemized Activity" screen displays more information about the invoice. This second line of the itemized activity displays the payment date and payment amount received for the invoice, followed by a column of the balance. A total row appears at the bottom.



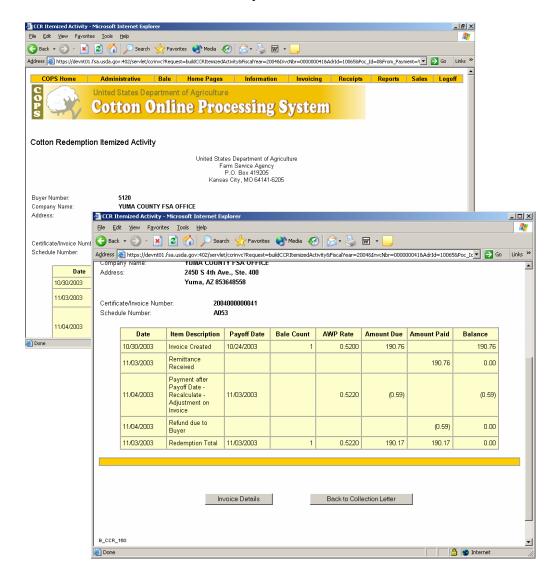
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# 11. CCR Itemized Activity (B\_CCR\_160) (after invoice payment – paid late)

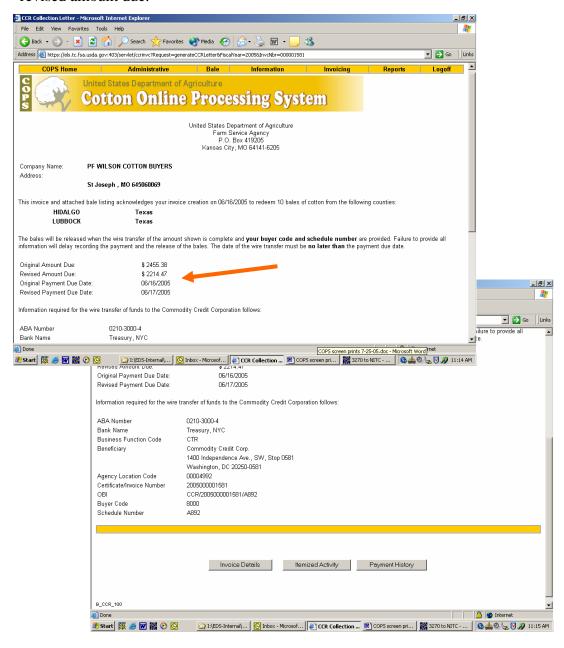
After payment of the CCR Invoice, the "Cotton Redemption Itemized Activity" screen displays more information about the invoice. This second line of the itemized activity displays the payment date and payment amount received for the invoice, followed by a column of the balance. A total row appears at the bottom.

When the payment is not received on the payoff date, the invoice is recalculated and adjustments are made for the difference of the original amount due and the recalculated amount due on the third line. The fourth line shows the refund amount due the buyer.



# 12. CCR Buyer Invoice Collection Letter (B\_CCR\_100) – late payment

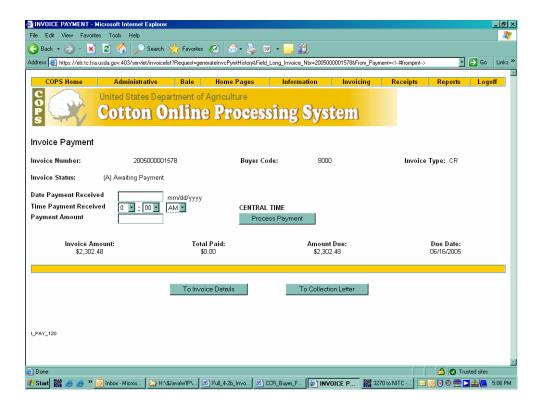
The **CCR Invoice Collection Letter** displays the information about the Centralized Cotton Redemption (CCR) invoice for the buyer. When that payment is wired late, after the payoff date, the amount due for the invoice is recalculated by COPS. The Collection Letter will them show the original payoff date and amount due, followed by the revised payment date and revised amount due.



### 13. Invoice Payment (I\_PAY\_120) (Buyer Invoices - before payment)

For the Buyer Invoice the **Invoice Payment** screen provides the status and history of payment(s) on the invoice. The ability to enter payment information for the invoice is limited to only authorized Core Users.

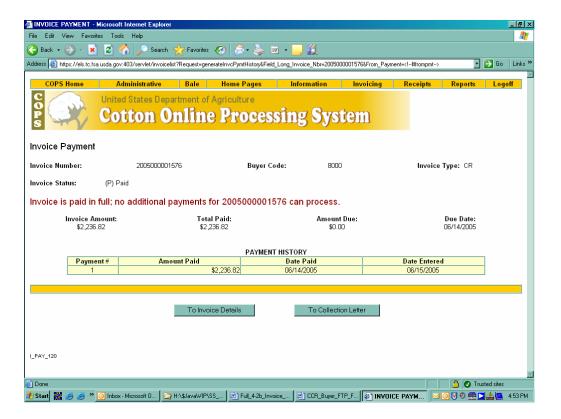
For a CCR Buyer invoice, when the wire transfer of payment is received and entered in COPS, the payment will be processed and the receipts will automatically be released.



### 14. Invoice Payment (I\_PAY\_120) (Buyer Invoices - after payment)

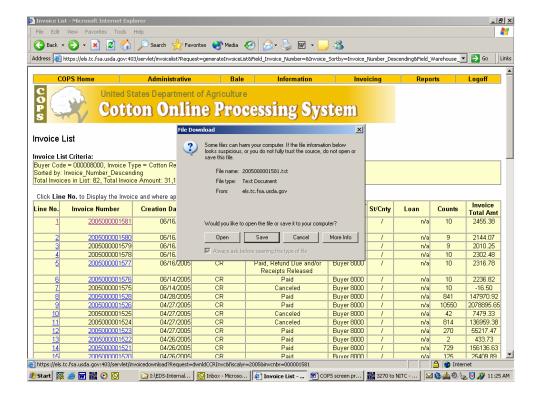
For the Buyer Invoice the **Invoice Payment** screen provides the status and history of payment(s) on the invoice.

For CCR Buyer Invoices, only a single payment from a wire transfer is made. This payment will trigger the CCR processing to automatically notify the warehouse to release the receipts. If there is refund because of late payment or insufficient funds, the amount will be in the 'Amount Due' field.



### 15. Invoice (I\_REV\_120) (CCR Buyer download - after payment)

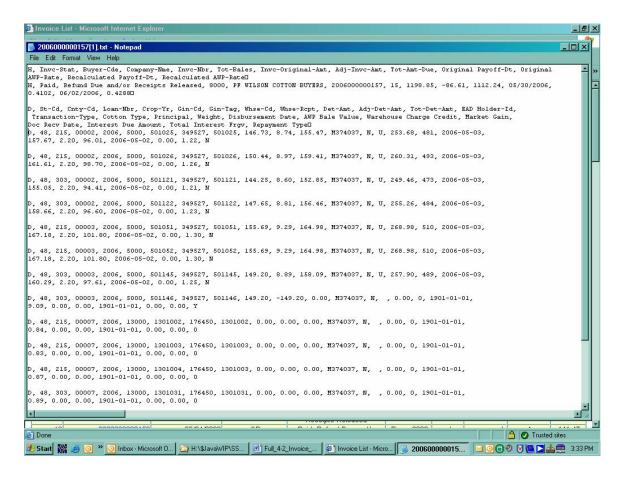
When the invoice number is clicked on the Invoice List screen, a pop-up window will appear asking if the user wished to open, save or cancel a file download. This download of invoice information is only available after the invoice has been paid.



### 16. Invoice List (I\_REV\_120) (CCR Buyer download – text file)

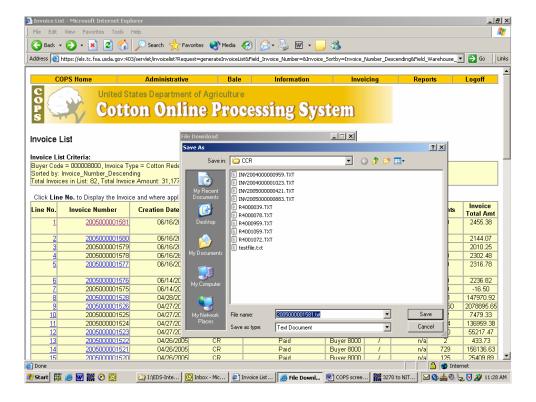
If 'Open' is selected on the file download, a text file will appear of the invoice information. A header (H) row will give the data field names followed by a header row of the summary information of Invoice Status, Buyer Code, Company Name, Invoice Number, Total Bale Count, Original Invoice Amount, Adjusted Invoice Amount, Total Invoice Amount (due), the Original Payoff Date, Original AWP Rate and if paid late, the Recalculated Payoff Date and Recalculated AWP Rate.

The detail (D) row will give the data field names followed by detail rows with bale detail (CCC-500) information of State Code, County Code, Loan Number, Crop Year, Gin Code, Gin Tag Number, Warehouse Code, Warehouse Receipt Number, Original Amount, Adjusted Amount, Total Detail Amount (Due), EAD Holder ID, Transaction Type (N = certificate, C = Cash/P&I), Cotton Type\* (U = Upland), Principle Amount\*, Bale Weight\*, Disbursement Date\*, AWP Bale Value\*, Warehouse Storage Charge Credit\*, Market Gain\* (only on certificate redemptions), Document Received Date\*, Interest Due\* (for P&I), Interest Forgiven\* and Repayment Type (N = Positive, O= Negative (released, but to be processed of COF system) and Y=Bale Adjusted Off invoice). \*Note: If the bale has been adjusted off the invoice or is a negative repayment (Total Detail Amount = zero), the CCC-500 fields (\*) for the bale will be not be filled.



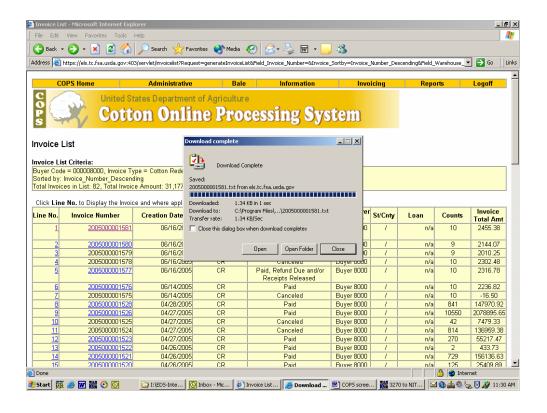
### 17. Invoice List (I\_REV\_120) (CCR Buyer download – save as)

If 'Save' is selected, the 'Save As' window will open for the user to select the folder for the text file. The name of the file will be the invoice number.



### 18. Invoice List (I\_REV\_120) (CCR Buyer download – complete)

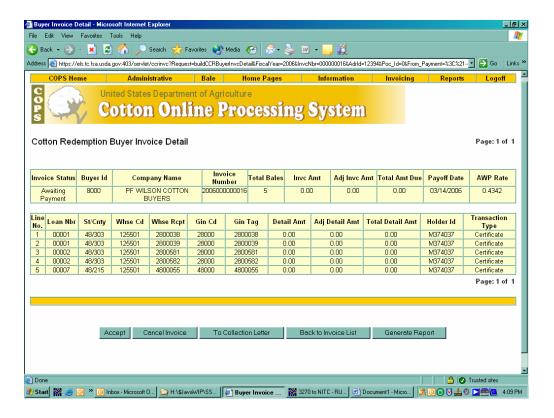
When the download is finished the 'Download Complete' window will appear asking if the user wants the file opened to view.



### 19. CCR Buyer Invoice Detail (I\_REV\_120) (Negative repayment bales)

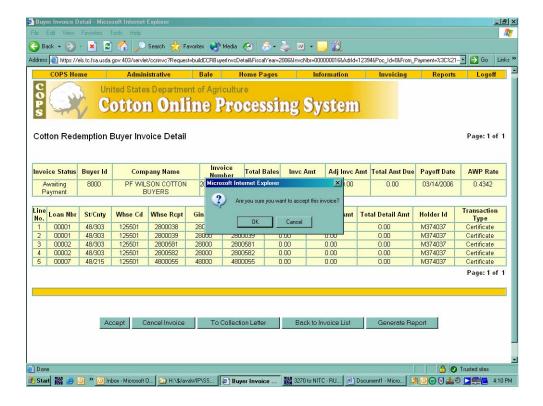
When bales in a CCR invoice are redeemed and have a negative repayment amount, because of storage credit, they will be listed on the invoice with a zero repayment amount. If the invoice has only negative repayment bales, Total Amt. Due equals zero, there will not be a payment entered and the bales cannot be automatically released to the merchant. To have the bales release, the merchant must click the "Accept" button.

The 'Accept' will trigger an email send to the County Office(s) to manually process the bales on the County System to calculate the warehouse storage credit amount for the merchant and create a check for the merchant to send with a CCC-500 report for the negative repayment value bales.



# **20.** CCR Buyer Invoice Detail (I\_REV\_120) (Verify negative repayment bales)

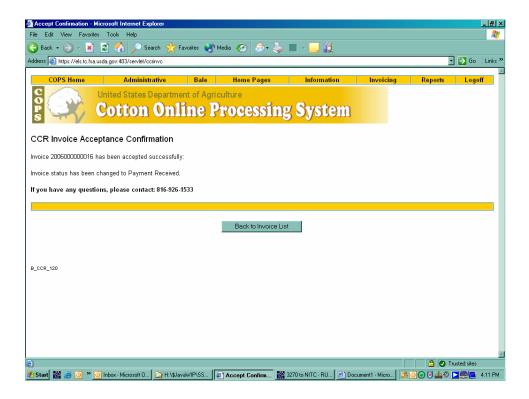
After the Accept button is selected a pop-up window appears to verify the action.



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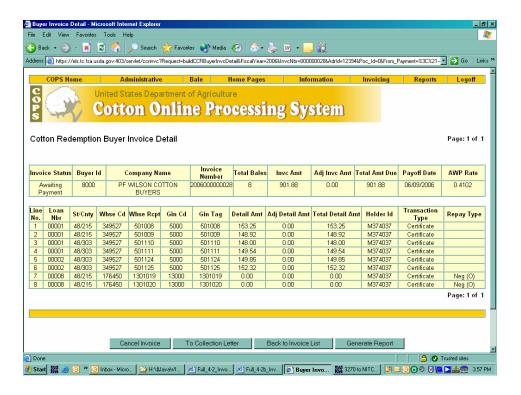
# 21. CCR Buyer Acceptance Confirmation (B\_CCR\_120) (Neg. repayment bales)

After OK is selected the CCR Buyer Acceptance Confirmation screen appears. The acceptance lets the system process the invoice as if a zero dollar payment was entered. The zero payment bales are released and an email is sent to the County Office(s) of bales on the invoice to manually process on the County Office system. The buyer will receive a check from the County Offices(s) for the storage credit and the CCC-500 report.



# **22.** CCR Buyer Invoice Detail (I\_REV\_120) (Negative repayment bales)

If the CCR Buyer invoice has negative repayment value bales included with regular redemptions, the negative repayment value bales will be listed with Total Amt Due equal zeros. These bales will be automatically released to the merchant upon entry of the wired payment. The County Office(s) will receive instructions to manually process the negative repayment value bales through the County System to calculate the warehouse storage credit amount for the merchant and create a check for the merchant to send with the CCC-500 report for the negative repayment value bales.



### D. History/Revision Log

Version #	Date	PSR#	By	Description
1.5	3/25/2004	None	P. Wilson	Created specific Centralized Cotton Redemption User Guide for Buyers
1.6	7/25/2005	multi	P. Wilson	Updated Home Page and added information and screen prints for Invoice download, Itemized Activity and Original vs Revised payment dates and amounts on Collection Letter and Invoice Details.
1.8	1/26/2006	3513	P. Wilson	Updated screen print and text for Buyer CCR Invoice download text file information.
1.9	2/21/2006	3875	P. Wilson	Updated screen prints and added information for CCR Buyer invoices where all bales have negative repayment values.
2.0	6/23/2006	3997	P. Wilson	Updated screen print and text information for Buyer CCR Invoice download. Addition data fields added to Bale Detail (D) rows for CCC-500 information with document received date, Interest (P&I) and redemption type.
2.2	9/19/2006	3398	J. Reagan	Added text describing the new email sent when a buyer cancels a CCR invoice. Updated the Acknowledgement Error Flag Descriptions in Section B.
2.9	3/25/2008	44707	R. Gardner	Added LSA CCR redemptions to document.

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